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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MISSING PARTS

This Amendment is offered in response to the Notice of Missing Parts dated February 2, 2004, given in the above-identified application for Re-Issue Letters Patent. This Amendment is timely filed before the due date of April 2, 2004, and, therefore, no extension of time is necessary.

The Notice of Missing Parts requires the Assignee's Statement under 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) establishing ownership of the patent. In response thereto, Applicant respectfully submits that the originally filed re-issue application papers included a document captioned "Consent of Assignee" in which the location of the assignment (at Reel 012525/Frame 0028) was identified and was signed by Joseph C. Hurlburt, President of Assignee, in conformance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b).

A copy of the Written Consent of Assignee, along with the first page of the application cover letter specifying the inclusion of the Written Consent of Assignee with

the original re-issue application papers, and the return post card bearing the stamp of the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office acknowledging the receipt of the re-issue application including the Written Consent of the Assignee.

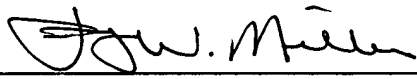
In view of the above, Applicant respectfully requests that the requirements of the Notice of Missing Parts be withdrawn and that the re-issue application be continued toward examination. Furthermore, in view of the above, Applicant respectfully submits that the requirement for the payment of the surcharge be withdrawn.

The Office Copy of the Notice of Missing Parts is also enclosed herewith.

If there are any questions, please contact the undersigned attorney at the office identified below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: February 18, 2004



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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF REISSUE APPLICATION

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this reissue application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- Assignee's statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) establishing ownership of the patent is missing. 37 CFR 1.172 requires that all assignees consenting to the reissue application establish their ownership interest in the patent by filing in the reissue application a statement in accordance with 37 CFR 3.73(b).

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is **\$65** for a Small Entity

- **\$65** Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

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